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FROM AMBASSADOR TO DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DIKEOS

CANBERRA FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: SECURITY OF UGS PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

REF: WELLINGTON 2685

1. WE ARE CONTINUING TO TIGHTEN SECURITY, BOTH TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CURRENT EXTRAORDINARILY SENSITIVE PERIOD, AND TO COVER WHAT NOW APPERS TO BE A CONTINUING NEED IN THE LONGER TERM NEW ZEALAND POLICE HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE A DETAIL OF ARMED RESISTANCE SQUAD AGENTS TO COVER THE EMBASSY, THE RESIDENCE, AND MY MOVEMENTS UNTIL MID-OCTOBER. WE ARE WORKING WITH THE POLICE ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF OUR PHYSICAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, AN ON THE INSTALLATION OF SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT.

2. THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS WE HAVE REMAINED IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH OUR RSO IN CANBERRA. HIS TECHNICAL SECURITY OFFICER WILL BE ARRIVING ON SEPTEMBER 29 TO REVIEW ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE POST TO DATE, AND OUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE ACTIONS. HE WILL ALSO CONDUCT AN IN-DEPTH SURVEY OF  
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THE EMBASSY, THE CONSULATE GENERAL IN AUCKLAND, THE

NEW CHANCERY BUILDING, AND RESIDENCES. DURING HIS CONSULTATIONS WE WILL DEVELOP A RECOMMENDATION FOR A PACKAGE OF SECURITY ACTIONS, AND A REQUEST TO EA/EX FOR FUNDING.

3. IT IS CLEAR TO ME, HOWEVER, THAT MORE WILL BE REQUIRED THAN SPECIAL FUNDS. IF OUR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE SECURITY BOTH IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE AND IN THE NEW CHANCERY ARE TO BE A SUCCESS, WE BADLY NEED AN ENERGETIC YOUNG OFFICER CAPABLE OF HANDLING THE DAY TO DAY WORK OF AN ACTIVE SECURITY PROGRAM, HANDLING THE SPECIAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FINAL STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW CHANCERY BUILDING, AND PLANNING TO MEET LONG TERM REQUIREMENTS. SINCE EXCELLENT GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT ARE AVAILABLE FROM RSO CANBERRA, AND WE CAN READILY DRAW ON HIS EXPERTISE, THE OFFICER WOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE A SEASONED SECURITY SPECIALIST. BUT WE URGENTLY NEED AN OFFICER WITH ENERGY AND IMAGINATION TO ASSIST ME ON SECURITY QUESTIONS. THIS WOULD BE A SUPERB OPPORTUNITY FOR A YOUNG OFFICER, SINCE HE WOULD GET SOME EXPOSURE TO GENERAL SERVICES AS WELL AS CHALLENGING SECURITY PROBLEMS.

4. I DO NOT BELIEVE THIS IS A CONTINUING NEED OF THE KIND THAT WOULD WARRANT ESTABLISHMENT OF A PERMANENT POSITION, BUT RATHER A SHORT TERM (EIGHTEEN MONTHS TO TWO YEARS) NEED FOR THE PERIOD WE WILL BE COMPLETING CONSTRUCTION AND MOVING INTO THE NEW CHANCERY, AND PLANNING THE RELOCATION OF THE CONSULATE GENERAL. IT IS, I BELIEVE, PRECISELY THE KIND OF SITUATION THAT THE NEW FLEXIBILITY IN MANAGING SECURITY PERSONNEL RESOURCES WAS MEANT TO COVER. I STRONGLY URGE THAT AN ENERGETIC YOUNG OFFICER BE ASSIGNED TO WELLINGTON FOR A TWO YEAR PERIOD.  
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